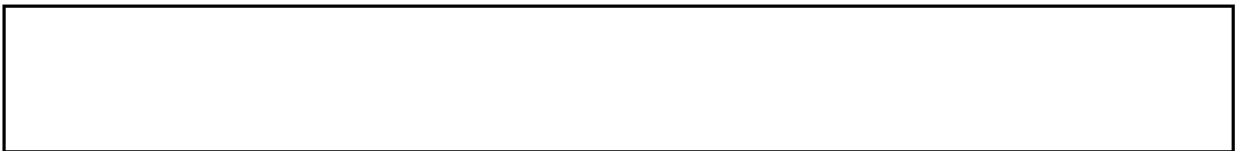


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8 April 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 8 April 1968




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Godfrey advised that OCI is sifting through material to determine whether there is any evidence to support Charles Collingwood's thesis that the North Vietnamese were pre-empted in a peace initiative by President Johnson's 31 March speech.

D/ONE reported that Deputy Secretary Nitze has requested an Estimate by 18 April on terrorism and internal security in Jordan and Israel.

D/ONE advised the Director that the Vietnam paper will be ready today.

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 discussed Pakistan's termination of the Peshawar agreement and indicated that a recommendation will be in the Director's hands as soon as possible.

ADD/S advised that the special arrangements laid on in the Operations Center to handle personnel problems arising from the civil disturbances worked well over the weekend.

Executive Director advised the Executive Committee to employ a common-sense rule in applying early dismissal today and suggested that the ninety-minute early dismissal should be applied liberally to those who must use public transportation and to those who have special problems arising from the civil disturbances.

Warner advised that tomorrow's briefing of Senator Stennis is still on.

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Warner reported that Congressman Mahon has not had a chance to get to the Director's letter on the Taylor article.

Bross reported that Friday's meeting with Ambassador Parsons and Arthur Hartman went well, with their indicating that, if the Step 4 Task Force is to deal with the SIGINT collection question at all, it will do so only after completion of Steps 2 and 3 in August.

DD/P drew attention to operational difficulties which have been caused by Air America pilot grievances in Laos.

DD/P reported that several FBI officers will participate in the next China Familiarization Course.

DD/P advised that Ambassador Goldberg has relayed his thanks for the memorandum on prospects for the Middle East after the Jarring mission.



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The Director indicated that he will be relaying the list of individuals who are to be privy to negotiations traffic and urged the ADD/I and Godfrey to ensure that the need-to-know rule is scrupulously observed in this matter.

The Director asked for a meeting of concerned DD/I and DD/P officers at 1000 today so that he might brief them on General Westmoreland's Saturday afternoon status report on the Vietnam war.



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